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Dear Sir:

Petitioner, EnteroMedics Inc., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Minnesota and having its primary place of business at 2800 Patton Road, St, Paul, Minnesota, 55113, represents that it is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/675,818, filed on September 29, 2003 and entitled ENTERIC RHYTHM MANAGEMENT ("present application"), by virtue of our assignment recorded at Reel 014970, Frame(s) 0774.

Petitioner, EnteroMedics Inc., hereby disclaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the above-identified application, which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term as shortened by any terminal disclaimer filed prior to the grant of any patent granted from co-pending applications, U.S.

Patent Application Serial No. 10/674,324, filed on September 29, 2003, and entitled Enteric Rhythm Management, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/756,176, filed on January 12, 2004, and entitled Obesity and Eating Disorder Stimulation Treatment with Neural Block, U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 11/192,750, filed on July 29, 2005, and entitled Methods for Treating Gastrointestinal Disorders and hereby agree that any patent so granted on the present application 10/675,818 shall be enforceable only for and during such period that the legal title to said patent shall be the same as the legal title to any patent granted on the co-pending applications, this agreement to run with any patent granted on the present application 10/675,818 and to be binding

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